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SHIPPING.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Contract with Government, despatch Steamers as above with Mails, Passengers, and Cargo, every fourteen days.

The Steam-ship "PATNA," 1,780 Tons, 300 H.P., Commander J. AYERS, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 18th April 1874, at 4 P.M.

April 1874.		April 1874.	
Leaves BOMBAY	18	Leaves Tuticorin	26
„ Ratnagherry	19	„ Colombo	27
„ Vingoria	19	„ Galle	28
„ Goa	20	„ Negapatam	May 1
„ Carwar	20	„ Pondicherry	2
„ Mangalore	21	„ Madras	4
„ Cannanore	22	„ Coconada	6
„ Tellicherry	22	„ Vizagapatam	7
„ Calicut	23	„ Bimlipatam	7
„ Beypore	23	„ Gopalpore	8
„ Cochin	24	„ False Point	9
„ Alleppy	24	Arrives at CALCUTTA	11

Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked by the Steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Messageries Maritime Company's Steamers, which run regularly.

This route is the most expeditious and economical for Passengers for the Neilgherry District, Bangalore, and Madras, who can land at Calicut or Beypore, and proceed from thence by rail. Passengers for Calcutta may take the same route, picking up the steamer at Madras.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Busreh, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch a Steamer every 14 days to the Persian Gulf, touching at KURRACHEE, GUADUR, MUSCAT, BUNDER ABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSREH, and occasionally at BAHREIN, KOWEIT, and MAHOMERAH.

The s.s. PUNJAUB, 1,089 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. R. GAVIN, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th April 1874, at 2 P.M.

April 1874.		April 1874.	
Leave BOMBAY	10	Leave BUSREH	19
„ Kurrachee	14	„ Mahonerah	20
„ Guadur	15	„ Fao	21
„ Muscat	17	„ Bushire	May. 1
„ Bunder Abbas	19	„ Bahrein	1
„ Linga	21	„ Linga	6
„ Bushire	13	„ Bunder Abbas	8
„ Koweit	23	„ Muscat	10
„ Fao	25	„ Guadur	12
„ Mahomerah	25	„ Kurrachee	15
Arrive BUSREH	27	Arrive BOMBAY	18

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co. Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.

THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, and in connection with the weekly service from England, will during the fair Season despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every FRIDAY, at 2 o'clock.

The Steam-ship PUNJAUB, 1,089 Tons, 200 H.P., Commander J. R. GAVIN, will be despatched on FRIDAY, the 10th April 1874, at 2 P.M.

The s.s. KURRACHEE, 510 Tons, 120 H.P., Commander C. C. D. DE CRISPIGNY, will be despatched on SATURDAY, the 11th April 1874, at 2 P.M.

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W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

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LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

To leave about 20th April.

THE Splendid s.s. COLOMBO, 2,696 Tons, JOSEPH BROWN Commander, has very superior and well ventilated Cabin accommodation (amidships) for Fifty First and Twenty Second Class Passengers. Her Dining Saloon is on deck, and measures 60 by 20 feet.

She carries a Surgeon and Stewardess, and has Piano on board, for the use and every requisite for the comfort of Passengers.

RATES of PASSAGE MONEY, exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on Board:—

First Class	Rs. 500
Second Class	„ 300

Apply to GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.
W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 27th March 1874.

FOR LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

TO LEAVE 18TH APRIL.

THE Magnificent S. S. JOHN TENNANT, 2,26 Tons, 1,350 H.P., effective Roland de Steiger, R.N.R., Commander, well known as of Green's line to Calcutta), be it last year expressly for the Passenger Trade, is prepared with every comfort and convenience for the voyage, and offers very superior accommodation for Passengers. She has a Ladies' Boudoir with Piano, Ice-house, &c., and carries a Surgeon and Stewardess. Each Cabin has a large port to the upper and lower berths.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

To SUEZ	Rs. 300
„ MALTA	„ 400
„ LIVERPOOL	„ 500

Exclusive of Wines and Liquors, which can be had on board. For Passage and further particulars apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM, & Co.,
or
RITCHIE, STEUART, & Co.,
Agents for Captain and Owners.

Bombay, 28th March 1874.

FOR LIVERPOOL, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE following magnificent first-class STEAMERS, specially built and designed for the INDIA and CHINA TRADE, will be despatched as under:—

WHAMPOA, 100 A 1, 2,332 Tons, 500 H.P., about 27th April.

HANKOW, 100 A 1, 2,487 Tons, 500 H.P., to follow.

These splendid vessels having attained a very high rate of speed on their trial trips are expected to make the passage from Bombay to Liverpool in about twenty-six days.

They have exceptionally good accommodation for Passengers, the Cabins being thoroughly ventilated and provided with every requirement for comfort.

Each vessel has accommodation for about Sixty First-class Passengers, and will carry a Surgeon and Stewardess.

Rate of Passage-money, exclusive of Wines, Spirits, and Liquor, which can be had on Board,

TO LIVERPOOL:—FIRST-CLASS, Rs. 500.

For Passage and inspection of Plans of Cabin accommodation apply to

GRINDLAY, GROOM & Co.,
or SIR CHARLES FORBES & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY, *VIA* SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., of GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA, and BOMBAY on the 24th, on the 1st of each month.

PASSENGERS RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	3rd Class.	
To Aden	£22	£15	£4	Without food.
Suez	36	22	9	
Port Said	36	24	9	
Alexandria	39	25	9-10	
Messina	50	34	14	Including Wines.
Naples	50	34	14	
Leghorn	50	34	14	
Genoa	50	34	14	
Marseilles (transhipment at Genoa)	52	35	14-10	

Children under 3 years, free of charge. Children not above 10 years, half fare.

NEXT STEAMER FROM BOMBAY:—

"PERSIA," to sail on WEDNESDAY 1st April 1874.
"ARABIA," to sail on FRIDAY, 1st May 1874.
"INDIA," to sail on MONDAY, 1st June 1874.

The exact hour of departure will be fixed and published a day or two previous to sailing.

For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c. apply to

C. GEONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 9 Hummum Street.

Bombay, 1st January 1874.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per s.s. BRITON from Liverpool, are requested to SEND their BILLS of LADING for our inspection and counter signature, and to TAKE DELIVERY of the respective GOODS from the Dunbar.

No. Claims will be admitted for damage or short delivery under any circumstances, unless passed by the Captain before the steamer's departure.

EWART, LATHAM, & Co., Agents.

Bombay, 28th March 1874.

SHIPPING.

OVERLAND ROUTE.

On Monday, the 6th April, 1874, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. & O. Co.'s S. S. DELHI, (2,178 Tons, and 400 H.P.) Captain G. LEE, will LEAVE for SUEZ, as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo as that Port, Brindisi, Venice, Marseilles, Southampton, &c.

Cargo can also be booked through to Messina, Naples, Leghorn, Genoa, Trieste, Odessa, Constantinople, Ancona, Havre, Liverpool, London, and New York.

No Cargo can be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

The Company reserve the option of forwarding all Goods shipped by their steamers for Europe, through Egypt, either by Rail, or by Canal, in their own steamers, or in vessels employed for the purpose.

Cargo for Liverpool will be forwarded either direct or by Steamer to London or Southampton, and thence by rail or steamer.

Passengers are requested to send their heavy baggage to Masagon on the day of the Steamer's departure, before 10 A.M., in order that it may be weighed and take Rail previous to shipment.

A small Steamer will leave the New Dock Head at Masagon, at 3 P.M., precisely, on the day of sailing.

F. D. PARKER,
Acting Superintendent.

Bombay 30th March, 1874.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

On Tuesday, the 7th April 1874, at 3 P.M., from Masagon.

THE P. and O. Co.'s S. S. GWALIOR 3,725 tons and 450 H.P., Capt. N. W. HASELWOOD, R.N.R., will be despatched as above, carrying H. M.'s Mails, also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta.

No Cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing, and no brokerage will be allowed on any Cheat of opium, the officer's receipt for which is not subject to the Company's Office before noon, on Saturday, the 4th April.

F. D. PARKER, Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 24th March 1874.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

SUEZ CANAL ROUTE.

It is intended to despatch the following Steamers from Bombay, direct through the Suez Canal to Southampton:—

PEKIN..... 3,777 TONS 600 H.P., 13th April 1874.
MIRZAPORE.. 3,763 „ 600 H.P., 27th do.
INDUS..... 3,473 „ 500 H.P., 11th May.

PASSAGE MONEY.

First Class..... Rs. 660
Second Class..... Rs. 360

For further particulars apply to

F. D. PARKER, Acting Superintendent.

Bombay, 3 Rampart Row.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

MONTHLY LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE New Steamer CASTOR, 2,700 Tons, now on her first voyage, will be despatched for Trieste on or about the 10th April 1874. The CASTOR has good accommodation for a limited number of Passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE,

(including a liberal Table, exclusive of Wines and Liquors, transit through Egypt, and free conveyance of 3 cwt. luggage)—

	1st Class.		2nd Class.		Deck.
To Trieste	£45	0	£35	0	£19-0
To Port Said	£33	6	£23	0	£14-6
To Suez	£32	8	£22	0	£13-7

Children under 3 years of age, FREE; above 3 and under 10 years, HALF FARE.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to THE AGENCY OF THE AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

A. C. GUMPERT, Agent.

Bombay, 28, Bombay Green, 20th March 1874.

HARBOUR STEAM FERRIES.

UNDER Contract with Government, STEAM FERRY BOATS ply across the Harbour daily, stopping at the undermentioned Bunders:—

FARES FROM BOMBAY TO

	1st Class.			2nd Class.			3rd Class.		
	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.
Oorun	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	6	0
Hog Island	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	6	0
Oolwa	3	0	0	0	12	0	0	6	0
Rewas	3	0	0	0	12	0	0	6	0
Dhurumtur	3	0	0	1	0	0	0	8	0
Thull	2	8	0	1	0	0	0	4	0
Allaugh	3	0	0	1	4	0	0	6	0
Rewdunda	4	0	0	1	8	0	0	8	0

The Oorun, Hog Island, and Oolwa Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 8 A.M., and returning leaves Oolwa at 11 A.M.

The Rewas and Dhurumtur Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 9-30 A.M., and returning leaves Dhurumtur at 1 P.M.

The Thull, Allaugh, and Rewdunda Ferry Boat leaves Carnac Bunder daily at 2 P.M., and returning leaves Rewdunda at 5 A.M.

J. A. SHEPHERD.

No. 32, Meadow Street, Bombay, 17th December 1873.

SALES BY AUCTION.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & COMPANY, No. 13, APOLLO STREET.

AUCTION SALE of Valuable Jewellery, Gold and Silver Keyless Lever Escapement Watches, Gold Earrings, Locket-Victoria and Bert Chain, Mother-of-pearl and other Field Opera Glasses, Brooches, Guard and Finger Rings, Gharms, Silver and Gold Spectacles, spare Glasses, Bulings for Watches, Blackwood and Teakwood Furniture, Show Cases, Cupboards, &c., in Humum Street, Fort.

To-morrow TUESDAY, the 7th, & WEDNESDAY, the 8th day of April at 1 o'clock each day, Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE and Co are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-named place the whole of the valuable Jewellery and Furniture, &c, the property of Messrs Hatelain Montanon and Co., Watch and Ornament Makers, the same comprises gold and silver hunting and open-faced keyless watches, ear rings, finger rings, set with stones, pearls, and rubies, mechanical and French clocks and time-pieces, double barrelled breech-loaders, musical boxes, one inch cylinder, eight-wheeled velocipede, silver and gilt Albert and watch chains, silver cup, knife, spoons and forks, gold earrings, sleeve links and buttons, brooches, silver and gold spectacles, teakwood show cases, glass door cupboards, chairs, watch materials, and several miscellaneous articles, &c., &c.

Catalogues of the full particulars are published, and the property is now on view.

AN AUCTION SALE of handsome Household Furniture, Plated, Glass, and Porcelain Ware, a full-sized Mahogany Slate Billiard Table with Lamps, a Mahogany Sofa cane Pianoforte by T. Scholes & Co., at No. 63, Nepean Sea Road, (opposite Mr. Framjee Cowasjee Marker.

On SATURDAY, the 11th instant, at 1 o'clock P.M., Messrs. DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co. are instructed to sell by Public Auction, at the above-mentioned place, all the valuable and handsome household furniture, &c. of T. O'Mistro, Esq., C.E, the same comprises a set of crystal stair cut glassware, decanters, fruit dishes, water jug, &c., dinner, tea and dessert sets, plated dish covers, seven-bottle curry dishes, silver, cruet, pickle and cake frame, single and chamber candlesticks, a set of spoons and forks cutlery, &c., a set of dining and centre tables, at cross dining, marble pattern, arm and without arms chairs, cellerette, double branched wall shades with pans and drops, plated bronze single, double, and 4 light hanging and grand lamps with drops, rich engravings in gilt and other frames, a Rosewood semi-grand piano, by J. Broadwood and Son, a full-sized mahogany Tourston's billiard table with balls, cues, &c. a billiard lamp, circular, cord, and pier tables, conversation, half-backed and cane arm chairs, drawing-room and easy chairs, large English carpets with border, chiffoniers, teapoys, an ottoman English writing table, brass and iron painted bedsteads, wardrobes, clothes and gown presses, dressing and washand tables, cheval and toilet glasses, camphorwood chests of drawers, China mattings, bedroom and long arm chairs, copper and copper cooking utensils, few dozen pots of choice plants, one cow and calf &c, &c.

Catalogues of the full particulars will be published, and the property will be on view, 4 days previous to the day of sale.

DINSHAW HORMUSJEE & Co.

Bombay, 6th April 1874.

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & CO. 40, MEADOW STREET.

On WEDNESDAY next, the 8th April, Messrs. NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS and Co. will sell by Public Auction, at 2 o'clock p.m., at their Rooms, Meadow Street No. 40.

A quantity of Grey and Coloured Piece Goods:—Containing Grey Shirtings, T. cloths, Jaconets, and Dhoties, and other sundry goods.

4 Cases Stripes Dhoties
2 „ Silk Handkerchiefs
2 „ Woollen Cloth

An invoice of patent hanging lamps with chimnies, shades, and ball pul y complete and fitted up with round Queen burners, 2 light, 3 light chandeliers, harp-chain hanger, library lamps, drawing-room lamps, wall lamps, passage lamps, and various other kinds of hanging and table lamps, spare shades founts, chimnies, the above lamps would not injure the eyes as ordinary lamps do so—but they give a brilliant light, and chimnies would not become hot as ordinary lamps does.

On Account and risk of Allyshoy Abdool Carroem—
H C & C—26-38—2 B Printing Paper
On Account and Risk of Cowasjee Dhunjeebhoy—
W I—5 cases Gilt Frames
On Account and Risk of Cowasjee Jamesetjee—
3 Cases Gilt Frames

NUSSERWANJEE, CULLIANDASS & Co.

Bombay, 6th April 1874.

ROYAL NAVY RUM,
THE FINEST BRANDS OF
JAMAICA RUM
(LABELLED AS ABOVE)
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"I must also beg to say that your Pills are an excellent Medicine for me, and I certainly do enjoy good health, sound sleep, and a good appetite; this is owing to taking your Pills, I am 78 years old.

Remaining, Gen lemen, yours very respectfully,
L.S.

To the Proprietors of
NORTON'S CAMOMILE PILLS London."

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FIRST APPEARANCE IN BOMBAY
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AMERICAN MINSTRELSY AND OPERATIC BURLESQUE,
The most accomplished
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PART FIRST.

MRS. CARSON will PRESIDE at the PIANOFORTE.

Bones	Dave Carson.
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Voice of the Mountain Land	Mr W Hogarth
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The Fakier-Wallas	Dave Carson
The Bird on the Tree	Mr G Norville

FINALE—Comic descriptive Legend: THE HAUNTED HOUSE

Lecturer—Mr W Hogarth.

Mediums for disposing of Spirits	Dave Carson and Harry Leslie.
Ghosts attired in the costume of the period—Ghosts, Ogres, Cymbals, Bottled Lightning, Thunder, &c, &c	By several Members of the Company.

INTERVAL OF TEN MINUTES.

PART SECOND.

The Yaller Gal that winked at me...Harry Leslie.
ORIGINAL MUSICAL MELANGE,
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THE BENGALEE BABOO'S EXPERIENCE IN LONDON!
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The Evening's Entertainment will conclude with the Laughable Operatic Burlesque, entitled,
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OR,
FIRST SHE WOULD AND THEN SHE WOULDN'T.

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Dress Circle	Rs. 4
Stalls	„ 3
Upper Circle	„ 2
Pit	„ 1

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Doors open at 8 o'clock. Trouble begins at 8-45.

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Dave Carson's United Minstrel and Burlesque Troupe, containing the celebrated Baboo and all other Popular Songs and Choruses, with Pianoforte Accompaniments, can be obtained at Messrs. Soundy, Breslauer & Co., and at the doors. Price Rs. 2.

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MARSALA—Rs. 16½. MADEIRA—	Rs. 30 „
SACRAMENTAL WINE—Rota Tinto—	Rs. 26 „
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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.—ECCLESIASTICAL SIDE.

In the Goods of VENAYECKRAO JUGONNATH SUNKERSETT, late of Bombay, Hindoo Inhabitant, deceased.

LUXUMIBAEE, widow of the said deceased, the Guardian and next friend of her Infant Son BALLA VENAYECKRAO.....Applicant.

An application for grant of Letters of Administration limited to the Executable Estate of the abovenamed Venayeckrao Jugonnath Sunkersett, deceased, has been made to this Honourable Court by the abovenamed Applicant. All Persons concerned therein are hereby apprised thereof.—Dated this 4th day of April 1874.

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Bank Bills, on demand ..... 1s. 10 15/16d.
Documents, 6 months' sight ..... 1s. 11⅞d. to 11/16d.
Documents, 3 do. ..... 1s. 11¾d. to 9/16.
Credit Bills, 6 do. ..... 1s. 11 17/32d. to 9/16d.
Credit, 3 do. ..... 1s. 11 5/16d.
Credit 3 do. francs ... 248.

On Calcutta .....60 days' sight. 8⅜
Do, demand..... 10⅝
On Madras 30 days' sight 99⅛
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Fixed Loans on do. to 3 months' .....11 ,,
Do. on Merchandise .....13 ,,
Cash Credit do. to 3 months' .....12 ,,
Bank Bills .....11 ,,
Mercantile Paper .....14 ,,

PRICES OF BULLION, &c.

Sovereigns, each ... ...Rs. 10-9	
Carolus ... ... ,, 200	
Mexican Dollars ... ... ,, 222	
Five-Franc Pieces ... ... ,, 221½	
Bar silver... ... ... ,, 106	
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Bar Gold 10 oz. English 100 touch ... ... ,, 16-15	
Australian Gold ... ... 100 touch ... ... ,, 16-15	

FREIGHT REPORT.

SATURDAY EVENING.

THE Holidays interfere with business, and no engagements of importance have transpired to-day. Rates are unchanged.

London { Cotton ..... / Cases ..... / Seeds ..... } No ship; by steamer £3 to £3 5d.
Liverpool { Iron Ships Cotton ..... £3 0s. 0d. / Wooden Ships ,, ... £3 0s. 0d. / Myrabolams ..... £2 7s. 6d. / Coir 3ds ..... £6 15s. 0d. / Seeds ..... £2 10s. 0d.
Havre ... { Cotton..... / Coffee..... } £3 5s.
Ordinary Steamers—
London ..... £3 0s. 0d.
Venice ..... £3 0s. 0d.
Trieste ..... £3 0s. 0d.
Liverpool..... £3 5s. 0d.
Havre Cotton ..... £2 17s. 6d. to £2 16s. 3d.
Liverpool via Suez Canal... { Wheat ..... £2 17s. 6d. to £2 16s. 3d. / Seeds ..... £4 17s. 6d. to £4 16s. 3d. / Cotton ..... £2 17s. 6d. to £2 16s. 3d.
China ... { Steamer Cotton ..... Rs. 20 per ton. / ,, Opium ..... Rs. 25 to 30 per chest. / Sailing Ships ..... Rs 4 per bale nominal
Calcutta ...Salt ..... Rs. 8 per ton.
Calcutta to Bombay ..... Rs. 12 port charges.
Mauritius ..... Nothing doing.

BOMBAY BILL AND STOCK LIST.

BANKS.

No. of Shares	Nominal value of each.	Paid up.	Last dividend.	Names.	Cash Rates per Share.
	Rs.	Rs.	p. a.		
100,000	100	all	5 p.ct.	Agra Bank	90
12,000	1,000	all	7½ pct.	Bank of Bengal	1,400
40,000	500	all	5 p. ct.	Do of Bombay New ...	736½
10,000	500	225	5 p. ct.	Do 2nd Res..issue ...	407½
5,250	1,000	all	5 p.ct.	Do of Madras ..	1,140
17,000	250	all	8 p.ct.	Chartered Mercantile Bk of I. L. & China	265
40,000	281½	all	12 pct.	Hong. & Shanghai Bank	400 nl
40,000	200	all	5 pct.	Chartered Bk. of I. & C..	175
10,000	250	125	6 p.ct.	National Bank of India..	118
10,000	250	all	12 do.	Oriental Bank	

AND COMPANIES.

4,000	2,000	all	Rs. 60	Colaba Land Co	1,335
9,000	150	all	Nil.	Frere Land & Pier Co. Ld.	110
750	2,000	2,000	30p.a.	Mazagon Land	890
6,000	1,000	all	15p.a.	Port Canning Land Company Limited	365

* Rs. 100 per share for the half-year.

RAILWAY COMPANIES.

.....	£20	21⅝-3/0	p.c	G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock	233
.....	£20	10⅝-1/2	do.	Do. New £20 Shares	126
.....	£20	13-10/2	do.	Ditto	
.....	£100	1,000	do.	B. B. & C. I. Railway Co	1,125
.....	£18	19⅝-5/1	do.	Do. New Shares	

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

620	1,250	all	100*	Alexandra Spinning	1 4 0
500	2,500	all	175p.a	Alliance Spinning	2,710
300	2,000	all		Bhownuggur M. & P. Co	1,800
200	1,000	all	50*	Bombay United	1,350
1,600	150	150	25*	Bronch Mills	279
2,500	2,000	all	50p.	Dhurumsey Spinning	1,735
150	2,000	all	200p.a	Great Eastern	2,600
750	1,000	all		Jewraj Balloo Mills	1,375
1,000	...	5/0	...	Khandesh Spinning	1,000
...	...	350	...	Madras U. Spinning	675
1,500	1,000	all	75 p.a	Manockji Petit's	1,380
900	1,000	11	100p.a	Morarjee Spinning	1,35
800	2,500	a l	150p.a	Oriental	4,000
600	2,500	400	100p.	Royal	2,350
500	1,000	1,000	200p.	Soondercas Spinning.....	1,425
500	1,000	250	100p.	Do. Do. 1/4 share	

* Per share for the half-year.

PRESS COMPANIES.

120	5,000	2,850	160 p	Abar Cotton Press Co...	1,600
200	2,000	1,100	150 do	Albert Co. Kurrachee.....	875
100	500	all	15 pc.	Albert Ginning Co.....	500
200	3,000	850	Nil.	Alexandra Press Co.....	150
150	12,000	11,500	0 0p.a	Apollo Press Co.....	4 6 0
200	2,500	all	..	Bezar Cotton G. & P. Co.	1,400
200	2,000	all	200p.a	Bombay Press Co.....	700
100	500	all	50 p.a	Do New.....	175
300	1,000	1,000	100 p	Broach Cotton Co	500
100	1,500	...	...	Carwar Company.....	700
500	1,000	all	40	Colaba Press Co.....	3,200
350	9,000	all	250p.a.	East India Press Co.....	2,200
150	8,000	all	300 pa	Fort Press Co.....	4,000 xd
300	2,000	1,800	75 p	Framji Cowasji Press Co	10 nl
2 0	1,000	all	70 p	French Press Co	625
350	5,000	1,400	70 p	Imperial Press Co.....	400
200	400	350	60 p	Mofussil Press & G. Co.	575
600	2,000	500	...	Nicol Press Manuf. Co., Ld	1,800
120	2,500	750	125 p	Prince of Wales Press....	1,500
2 0	1,000	all	...	Sassoon's Press Co.....	1,050
4 0	800	750	135 p	Scinde Press Co.....	400
100	1,000	750	...	Scinde and Punjab Cotton Press Co., Limited.....	1,025
100	1,500	1,350	Rs. 80	Victoria Press, Madras..	1,000
130	250	all	40 pa	Vic. Cot. Gin & Press Co	350
470	1,000	all	80 pa	Volkart United Press Co.	900

* Per share for the half year.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Apr.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
4	Atlantic (s)	Swanson	Newcastle, Feb. 23.
	Border Chieftain (s)	Bailey	Cardiff, Feb. 2.
5	Ocrun (s)	Nacoda	Cutch.
	Excelsior (s)	Goss	Shields, Feb. 21.

DEPARTURES.

Apr.	Vessel.	Commander	Destination.
4	Kurrachee (s)	Hutchison ...	Kurrachee.
	Sir J. R. Carnac	MacNaill	Coast and Carwar.
	Assyria	Howell	Coast and Calcutta.
	Strathclyde (s)	Pearson	Liverpool.
	Peru (s).....	Methven	Australia.

The following vessels were entered out for loading on Saturday last :—
Steamer Elgin, to Liverpool.
Steamer Border Chieftain, to London.
Ship Acacia, to Havre.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances on Saturday last :—
Ship Kirkwood, Sinnott, to Liverpool.
Ship Pendragon, Symons, to Liverpool.

MADRAS.

April ARRIVAL.
2 Thetis (s)..... ..... Trincomallee.
April DEPARTURE.
1 Navarino (s) .... Calcutta.

ADEN.

Mar. ARRIVALS.
18 Oxfordshire, Jones, from London.
18 Gwalior, Haselwood, from Suez.
18 Bokhara, Anderson, from Southampton.
19 Red Gauntlet, Mann, from Bussorah.
19 Timsah, Hogg, from London.
19 Tchehalcheff, Witt, from London (passed to China).
20 Irrawady, Bourdon, from Shanghai.
20 Euxina, Hoodt, from Kurrachee.
20 Excelsior, John Jons, from Cardiff.
21 Border Chieftain, Bailey, from Cardiff.
22 Kwang Tung B M, Eltoe, from Perim.
22 Calcutta, Henderson, from Zanzibar.
23 Selamis H M's S, Littleton, from Trincomalee.
23 Martaban, Stuart, from Rangoon.
24 M-lwa, Tomlin, from Bombay.
24 Alnwick Castle, Freeman, from Bombay.
25 St George, Harwood, from Saigon.
25 Ganges, Cawcut, from London.

Mar. DEPARTURES.
18 Oxfordshire, Jones, to Colombo.
18 Gwalior, Haselwood, to Bombay.
19 Maddalene, Bozzino, to Newdeep.
19 Bokhara, Anderson, to Calcutta.
20 Timsah, Hogg, to Kurrachee.
20 Silvia H M's ... um Bs. St John, to China.
20 Nassau H M's S, Gray, to Zanzibar.
20 Irrawady, Bourdon, to Marseilles.
20 Euxina, Flondt, to Liverpool.
20 Kwang Tung B M, Eltoe, to Perim.
22 Red Gauntlet, Mann, to London.
22 Terior, Nisbet, to Cocanada.
23 Martaban, Stuart, to London.
24 Malwa, Tomlin, to Suez.
24 Alnwick Castle, Freeman, to London.
25 Kwang Tung B M, Eltoe, to Malacca.
25 Selamis H M's S, Littleton, to Plymouth.
25 St George, Harwood, to Bordeaux.

VESSELS IN HARBOUR.
... more, from Liverpool.
... from New Castle.
... from Mauritius.
... Cardiff.
... Zanzibar.
... Bombay.

SHIPPING LIST. SUEZ CANAL.

Week ending 15th Mar. 1874.

OUTWARD.

Mar. 10 City of Manchester Calcutta.
,, 10 Bokhara, Calcutta.
,, 10 Navarino Calcutta.
,, 10 Castore Bombay.
,, 10 Bellona Bombay.
,, 10 Lord of the Isles China.
,, 10 Prompt (Tug) Suez.
,, 11 Oxford-hire Colombo.
,, 12 Hankow Bombay.
,, 12 Rowena Bombay.
,, 12 Hoogly Shanghai.
,, 12 Duke of Argyll Calcutta.
,, 12 Timsah Kurrachee.
,, 13 Colombo Bombay.
,, 13 Ichiratcho China.
,, 13 Elgin Bombay.
,, 13 Whampoa Bombay.
,, 13 Hafiz (Tug) Suez
,, 14 Royal Minstrel Aden.
,, 14 Excelsior Aden.
,, 14 Gesuting Shanghai.
,, 14 Border Chieftain Aden.
,, 15 Mirzapore Bombay.
,, 15 Koning der Nederlandew Batavia.
,, 15 Gungw Persian Gulf.

HOMEWARD.

Mar. 8 Consett Liverpool.
,, 9 Corinna Havre.
,, 9 Timor London.
,, 9 Mesopotamia London.
,, 9 Ava Marseilles.
,, 10 Linda Leith and Hull.
,, 11 Decalia Portsmouth.
,, 11 Serapis Constantinople.
,, 12 Hampton Rotterdam.
,, 13 City of Poonah London.
,, 15 Stephensons London.

MILITARY.

ARRIVALS—April 2.

Lester, Colonel, Staff Corps, on duty, from Allahabad.
Gawthorne, Conductor, Ordnance Department, on leave from Kirkee.
Thacker, Staff Vet. Surgeon, Bengal Vet. Department, on duty, from Calcutta.

APRIL 3.

Durand, Major, Staff Corps, from leave, from England.
Chaine, Major, 4th Hussars, from leave, from England.
Sharpe, Major, Bengal Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Palmer, Assistant Surgeon, Bengal Medical Department, from sick leave, from England.
Lyster, Sub-Lieutenant, 4th Battalion 1st Rifle Brigade, on duty, from England.
Chard, Captain, 7th Fusiliers, from leave, from England.
Fitzgerald, Lieutenant Colonel, 41th Regiment, from medical certificate, from England.
O'Beirne, Lieutenant 1st Battalion 6th Regiment, from furlough, from England.
Grigg, Captain, Bengal Artillery, Comr. Oudh, from furlough, from England.
Widdicombe, Lieutenant-Colonel, Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Close, Major Staff Corps, from furlough, from England.
Cowan, Captain, Bengal 66th Rifles, on promotion, from England.
Mois, Sub-Lieutenant, 1st Battalion, 14 h Foot, to join, from England.
Balfe, Lieutenant, Staff Corps, on duty, from Aden.
Plowden, Major, Madras Staff Corps, on fu lough from ——
Hewett, Major, 11th Hussars, on leave, from Umballa.
Quinton, Captain, 10th Hussars, on leave, from Muttra.
Plomer, Lieutenant-Colonel, Staff Corps, on leave, from Poona.
McArthy, Surgeon, Madras Medical Department, on furlough from England.

April 4.

Maxwell, Major, 15th Hussars, on leave, from Meerut.
Elliott, Captain, Bengal Royal H. A., on duty, from Meerut.
Smirke, Lieutenant, 15th Hussars, on leave, from Meerut.

DEPARTURES—April 2.

Fuller, Colonel, Superintending Engineer, on leave, to Matheran

April 4.

Blair, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bombay Cavalry, on duty, to Seroor.
Thacker, Staff Vet. Surgeon, Vet. Department, on duty, to Melbourne.
Montropp, Colonel, Poona Horse, on furlough, to Melbourne.
McMahon, Major, Bengal Royal Artillery, on medical certificate, to Melbourne.
Quintin, captain, 10th Hussars, on leave, to Melbourne.
Ker, Col nel, 6th Regiment Native Infantry, on duty, to Belgaum.
Widdicombe, Lieutenant-Colonel, Staff Corps, on duty, to Kurrachee.

April 5.

Stephens, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bengal Cavalry, on duty, to Barrackpore.
Henslow, Lieutenant-Colonel, Bombay Infantry, on leave, to Calcutta.

MADRAS ARMY ORDERS.

BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF.

(*Fort St. George Gazette*, March 31.)

The under-mentioned Officers have obtained leave of absence from their stations :—

Mr C Kough, Acting Head Asst Colr and Magistrate, South Arcot, privilege leave for 87 days, from or after 1st April, under Section 21, Rule 5 of the Civil Leave Code.

Mr B C Legg tt, Depy Colr, in charge of Treasury, South Canara, one month's privilege leave, from the date of quitting the District.

Mr F C Carr, Dist and Sessions Judge of Tinnevelly, special leave for six months, to proceed to Europe.

Capt W H Hall-tt, Supt of Prisons for the Town of Madras, privilege leave for three months from the 10th proximo.

Mr W Waters, Master Attendant, Vizagapatam, privilege leave for two months from the 27th inst.

Mr F Dodgett, Mathematical Instrument Maker, privilege leave for two months and eighteen days, from or after the 27th April 1874.

The Rt Hon the Govr in Council has been pleased to make the following appointments :—

Mr W J H LeFanu, to act as Sub-Colr and Joint Mag of Chingleput during the absence of Mr Crole on privilege leave, or until further orders.

Mr A F Cox, to act as Head Asst to the Colr and Mag of South Arcot during the absence of Mr Kough on privilege leave, or until further orders.

Mr J L Fernandez, to act as Depy Colr in charge of Treasury, South Canara, during the absence of Mr B C Leggatt on privilege leave, or until further orders.

Mr T Prichard, Depy Colr on general duty, Salem District, to act as Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury in that district during the employment of Mr Johnston on other duty, or until further orders.

Mr H J Tarrant, Barrister-at-law, to be Crown Prosecutor.

Mr F John-ton, Depy Colr of Salem, to act as Supt of Prisons for the Town of Madras during the absence of Capt Hallett on privilege leave or until further orders.

Surgn A Porter, M D, to act as Professor of Anatomy in the Medical College during the absence of Surgn-Maj Kess, M D, on leave, or until further orders.

Surgn John Francis Fitzpatrick, M D, to be Zillah Surgn and Supt of Jail at Musulipatam.

Surgn-Maj Charles Ably Andrews to act as Surgn of the 4th District, Presidency, during the absence of Surgn-Maj FitzGerald on leave, until further orders.

The services of Capt Alfred Augustus Davidson, of the Nair Brigade, are replaced at the disposal of the Military Department on promotion to Major.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Surgn-Maj W H Morgan, in Medical charge, 23rd Light Infantry, is granted furlough on medical certificate to the East ern Coast and Ceylon, until the 25th Sept 1874.

The under-mentioned officers are permitted to proceed to Europe :

Col J G Halliday, of the Infantry, Comdt 12th N I, on furlough on private affairs for two years.

Henry Surgn R Wilkin, Demonstrator of Anatomy, and Curator of the Museum at the Medical College on furlough on medical certificate for one year.

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DEATH.

GRIFFITH—April 3rd, at Malabar Hill, Lieut.-Col. J. G. Griffith, Royal Engineers, aged 41 years.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGE.

DE GARNIER—WILSON—March 28th, at the Circular Road Baptist Chapel, Calcutta, by the Rev. A. Williams, Frederick John Wilson De Garnier, to Hannah Jane, second daughter of the late James J. Wilson, Esq., of Mhow Factory, Tirhoot.

The Bombay Gazette.

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1874.

YESTERDAY we received from Kurrachee further information regarding the important telegrams which we published on Tuesday and Wednesday, and our fears are strengthened regarding the present state of the Mahomedan mind in consequence of the blundering policy which the Government of Bombay has entered upon. It appears that a Christian catechist was sent to Manora fair a short time ago with a number of books and tracts, and of the tract entitled "Reasons for Belief," which was published at Allahabad many years ago and has been a stock tract among missionaries for at least a dozen years past, some Mahomedans bought several copies. These tracts were discussed to a considerable extent, and at last were submitted to the Kazee. On Friday week a large meeting was held in the musjid at Kurrachee. What passed there we cannot tell, although a correspondent mentions that Christians and Christianity were held up to scorn, but we may guess the practical resolution which was come to, as on the forenoon following a band of Mahomedans proceeded before Mr. Gibbons, the City magistrate, and presented a petition against the tract in question. Here might have been the subject of a picture of grandeur and nobleness—a Christian magistrate receiving a deputation of Mahomedans and listening to their complaints about a Christian tract! What did the magistrate do? Did he like a high-souled Englishman, believing in the Christianity which such Englishmen honour as their lives, tell the Mussulmans that the field of India was as free to the pioneers of Christianity as to the propagators of the dogmas of the Koran? Did he speak of the grand principles of toleration which good and true Englishmen have contended for against the powers of stake and faggot?—principles which it is the boast of the Empress of India she has been able to offer to her Indian subjects as a part of the perpetual policy which shall guide her in ruling Hindostan—principles which every magistrate, Christian, Mussulman, or Hindoo, ought ever to have before him as a portion of his duty to his sovereign? No—nothing of that kind;—cautious Mr. Gibbons!—he remembers him of the precedent furnished two months ago by the Commissioner of Police of Bombay, when he suppressed Jhalbhoy the Parsee's book at the request of a similar deputation of Mahomedans, and he will do the same as Mr. Souter did, for is he not conscious that the Government of Bombay will support him! Accordingly he is much affected by the appeals of the Mahomedans to their injured feelings—is alarmed at their threat that if the tract of the "Kaffir" is not suppressed there will be a disturbance in Kurrachee—and finally resolves to grant their most unreasonable request. We confess that our blood tingles with indignation when we think of a Christian magistrate acting like a Judas towards his own religion, and betraying his convictions (if he has any) for the threats of any body of inhabitants of India—Mussulman, Hindoo, or Parsee. Mr. Sheldon, the missionary, whose house is at this moment guarded by armed men lest the indignation of the Mahomedans should be directed towards his person as well as his humble efforts to do his duty towards his God and fellow men, has appealed to Colonel Lambert, the District Magistrate, against the decision by Mr. Gibbons. And well he may! There is a grand principle at stake—the principle of religious toleration in India. Colonel Lambert cannot fly in the face of that principle. Englishmen, we believe, would sooner give up India than yield the principle that Christianity shall have no footing in the country. Unfortunately, if Mr. Gibbons' order for the suppression of the tract is reversed, the Mahomedans of Kurrachee will then think they have a new grievance, and a right to shout "deen, deen!" and plunder property and take lives as Mahomedans did with such remarkable success in Bombay. But this cannot be helped. The grand principle of religious toleration must be pushed steadily and fearlessly to the front of the policy of England towards India. There is less danger *now* in teaching Mahomedans that they cannot trample upon every religion but their own than in waiting until their present intolerant mood spreads more widely, to the danger of the peace of the country at large. We believe every magistrate in the Presidency will agree, should it be necessary, to enforce the lesson, for we hope that there are few magistrates of Mr. Gibbons' stamp in India. We believe that Christianity would have had more fair play at the hands of 99 in 100 out and out native magistrates than he has been pleased to accord it.

"This above all things—to thine own self be true,
And it needs must follow as the light the day
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Mr. Gibbons is probably not aware of this advice; and as a precedent-hunter, to whom the buttressing of Christianity is a bauble compared with toadying to the policy which an unfortunate Government has drifted into, he deserves to take his place at the side of the *Times of India*, which has tinkled its wretched cymbal in our face because we have denounced conduct which it has neither the ability nor the principle to condemn. But we beg pardon for mentioning the *Times of India* in the same breath with a contention for the free exercise of religious toleration in India. We trust that the authorities in Kurrachee have ere this reversed Mr. Gibbons' impolitic order. Such an encouragement to the present folly of the Mahomedans ought not to be allowed to stand a single day longer than can possibly be helped, otherwise we shall be having our churches pulled about our ears, our ministers insulted if not murdered, and Christians openly denounced as the dogs the Mahomedans already believe them to be. When Christianity is trampled out in India, then the Empire is no longer England's. That is a fact which must appeal even to Englishmen who have no Christianity, and certainly our magistrates ought, of all men, to be the very last to forget it.

THE saying "second thoughts are best" has had new lustre thrown upon its venerable head by the appearance of the Tramways Bill as it has emerged from the Select Committee to which it was remitted at the last meeting of the Bombay Legislative Council. The Bill as it stood was about the most careless, inaccurate, and unwise Bill we ever saw issued from the Secretariat. Now, it is a comparatively good measure, thanks to the overhauling it has received in Committee. The hon. member who has charge of it ought really to be thankful that common sense overruled his fondness for it, as exemplified in his desire that it should not be sent into Select Committee. Had it passed as it stood originally his reputation as a legislator, such as it is, would have been seriously damaged in the estimation of the public who may inhabit Bombay a year or two hence. In a short time its looseness must have given rise to litigation, and the community would surely be disgusted to find how little protection their interests had received as compared with the care which had apparently been taken that the Tramway Company should be permitted to do as they pleased with the city. The Bill when submitted to the Legislative Council might have been faithfully described as a Bill for allowing a foreign company to spoil our thoroughfares. In fact, it was a most one-sided attempt at legislation, which seemed to have been sketched by Messrs. Kittredge and Stearns for their own benefit and blindly accepted by the local Government, and the public are deeply indebted to the Hon. Messrs. Chapman and Kennedy for calling attention to its character.

The first change to be noticed in the amended Bill is the shape of the preamble. At first the preamble contained a quantity of matter about the advantages likely to follow the introduction of tramways in Bombay, and about the powers and nature of the local Corporation; but now encumbrances have been omitted, and it has become somewhat of a plain business statement. In the second clause of section 3 a slight change has been made which will prevent the Tramway Company from interfering with sidings which the B. B. and C. I. Railway Company may construct in the vicinity of the Cotton Green and the Apollo Bay Reclamation. But in the first clause of that section there is a singularly vague statement, and one, moreover, which, although it occurs in the agreement drawn up between the Corporation and the Grantees, is too dangerous to be allowed to stand part of the Bill. It declares that the Tramway promoters may make tramways, with all necessary sidings, &c., to and from their stables on certain routes. Now it is "stables" that we object to. The whereabouts of these stables is not stated in the Bill nor in the agreement, although, seeing they are to be the termini of tramway routes, it is very important that some permanent locality should be assigned to them. The Tramway Company may at present find it convenient to have their stables in certain parts which the Corporation regard as suitable for a terminus; but as times may alter during the next twenty-one years, and the Tramway Company are not bound to keep their stables in one place, it is necessary to name the place or places where the tramways shall terminate if we would avoid the possibility of the "stables" being shifted all over Bombay and the tramways made to follow them. In reading the Bill a first time we were struck by the large powers which it was proposed to vest in the Municipal Commissioner. We are glad to observe that the Select Committee have to a certain extent noticed the same objectionable matter. Clause eight of the third section set forth that the Tramway Company might make and maintain tramways not only on the routes which are at present specified, but on such other routes as may hereafter be approved of by the Municipal Commissioner, and the Select Committee have added that the sanction of Government must also be obtained. This, however, does not go far enough. The principal parties concerned are surely the citizens whose roads it is proposed to mutilate by tramways, and we do not think that such a matter should be settled by the Municipal Commissioner and the Government alone. These may have identical interests; indeed, considering how the Municipal Commissionership has of late been bandied about among Civilians and used by Government as an instrument for giving certain Civilians home leave, it is more than probable that their interests would be identical; and therefore we say it is extremely desirable that the consent of the Corporation should be procured as well as that of the Municipal Commissioner and the Government before the Tramway Company venture to lay down a single rail more than their present agreement specifically permits. In other parts of the amended Bill objectionable powers are still to be permitted to be vested in the Municipal Commissioner. Thus in section V. the Municipal Commissioner is to be the sole approver of tramway gradients, ganges, or rails, and also of the form and manner in which tramways may be laid. Section IX. says that the carriages of the Grantees on the tracks of the tramways shall, *unless with the consent of the Municipal Commissioner*, be worked with horse power or other animal power only. The words we have italicised vest the Municipal Commissioner with a power which is really tremendous, for they permit him, if he pleases, to allow tramways to be worked by steam should the tramway promoters find it too expensive to work their venture by horses or bullocks. If steam is introduced on the public roads of Bombay the citizens may tremble, for there will soon be a pretty long story to tell of runaway horses, smashed carriages, and broken limbs. As a Municipal Commissioner may be oblivious to these probabilities, and as the community at large, as represented by the Corporation, will be chiefly concerned in the question of tramway cars being hauled by steam power, this section ought to be seriously modified. There are minor points in the Bill which require alteration. In the second clause of the tenth section it is said that the Tramway Company are not to break up a road except under the superintendence and to the reasonable satisfaction of the Municipal Commissioner or the Executive Engineer, unless either of these officers "refuses" or neglects to give such superintendence. As the Municipal Commissioner may have good reason for refusing to give such superintendence—supposing, for instance, he objected to the road being broken open at all—this clause will probably be modified in order to prevent the Tramway Company from riding roughshod over the opposition of the Municipal Commissioner. But perhaps this matter cannot be amended, as the section seems to be an embodiment of the terms of the agreement. Speaking of the agreement, it is a singularly loose one, and Messrs. Stearns and Kittredge may easily stretch some of the stipulations in it very much to their advantage. Thus the fourth paragraph in it provides that on one-half of the number of cars which they run for passengers they must charge a certain fixed rate, while apparently they may charge what rates they please for the use of the other half, and there are provisions in the Bill to punish members of the public who decline to pay the fares demanded by the Tramway Company! This may lead to a pretty state of matters, unless passengers make sure of entering a car which belongs to the half for travelling in which a stipulated maximum rate is fixed. By paragraph five the Grant

A FEARFUL TALE OF THE SEA.

A short time since we gave the details of the burning of the ship Arracan at sea and of the arrival of one of the boats with the chief officer and four men at Cochin. Subsequently we were able to chronicle the safe arrival of the captain with eight men, in the long boat, at Aden, and we now learn that the third boat, the pinnace with the second officer and four men, has been brought to Calcutta by the s.s. City of Manchester.

A passenger by the latter vessel sends the following thrilling narrative of the adventures of those men after they had parted company from their shipmates to the *Friend of India* :—"On the 20th of March we picked up in the Arabian sea, lat. 9° 56' N., long. 63° 5' E., a small boat containing the second mate and four men of the barque Arracan, all dreadfully emaciated and sunburnt. Two of them were so weak that they had to be lifted on board. The poor fellows had been tossing about in that open boat on a tropical sea for 32 days. Their ten days' stock of provisions and water was utterly exhausted on the 9th of March. During the eleven days which followed, they had eaten only two birds, four flying fish, and a few barnacles from the boat's bottom, drinking only sea-water. Every kindness was showed to them, and in a few days the doctor and volunteer nurses brought them all round, though it was feared that one or two might not rally."

The details are supplied by Mr. Webster, the second officer, whom steadiness and decision of character, under most trying circumstances, cannot be sufficiently admired. "The three boats kept together until Friday night, the 20th February, when they lost the captain's boat. The following Monday night the pinnace was stove by a heavy sea, so that they were obliged to throw overboard many things to lighten her. After this she would not go to windward, and they soon lost sight of the mate's boat. They mended the boat's side as well as they could, but she continued to leak so badly that they had to keep one man constantly baling. Had it not been for this necessity for constant work, Mr. Webster thinks he could never have kept the men from killing each other. One of the men accidentally broke the compass. They had no chart, only a sextant. Mr. Webster kept the boat by the wind and hoped, how vainly he did know, to make the Maldive Islands. March 9th he wrote, 'Divided the last morsel of bread and wa er between us. All in good health, except the boy, and thankful to God for His mercies.' Two days after one of the older sailors, Davis, proposed casting lots. The mate refused to have anything to do with it, and told them, as always afterwards, that there should be no man-eating in that boat while he lived. The same day, in the afternoon, while Mr. Webster was asleep, the four cast lots, and the short lot fell to the younger boy, Billy Horner. He went apart to say his prayers, but as Davis was preparing his knife to kill him, the mate awoke and prevented him. After that he threw overboard all the knives but two, one for himself and one for the older boy, and made Billy stay beside him in the stern of the boat all the time. The two older sailors, Davis and Layford, were much displeased and plotted to kill the mate and tried to do so more than once, but the older boy, Francis Stobie, warned him. After that the mate and the boys kept alternate watches, so that the men could do nothing unobserved. The heat was so intense that they all spent much of the day time in the water, regardless of sharks, which they saw occasionally. They chewed lead to moisten their throats a little. They tried to eat their boots, but these were too salt, also their oil-skins and some jelly fish which they caught by diving and dried, but they were too bitter and devoid of nourishment. Mr. Webster read to them from the Bible and Spurgeon's 'Morning by Morning' and prayed with them every day. This seemed to quiet the men for a time, but they would grow discontented and mutinous again, with spells of delirium. One day Davis swore he would either kill the boy or sink the boat in 12 hours. He had already tried to do both, besides refusing to work repeatedly. The mate felt that he ought to shoot him. He raised his gun and snapped it at him, but it did not explode. Two minutes after, just as he had put a fresh cap on, a bird flew over the boat and he shot it dead. The men rushed for it. It was quickly picked up, divided and devoured, inwards, bones and all but the feathers. Davis then returned to his duty. The day before they were rescued was the worst. Layford knocked off work and told Davis that he wished he would kill him when he was asleep. 'Very well,' said Davis. A few minutes after, Davis struck him twice on the head with a marlin spike. The blood gushed out and Davis drank it eagerly, giving Stobie a little. A struggle ensued for the marlin spike, Layford got it at last and threw it overboard. Then they tried to kill each other, bruising and biting each other like wild beasts. Both were too weak to succeed. When exhausted they would ask forgiveness, shake hands and kiss each other. Soon the delirium would return and they would begin again. The next day would have decided the fate of one or two probably, had they not been picked up. The boat was some five miles south of the steamer's course and was only recognised by its lug-sail. The above statements are substantiated by all in the boat."

DUBASH PRACTICES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir—It is a pity your correspondent "No More Agents," in his anxiety to injure dubashes, does not confine himself to the truth. He states the remuneration received by dubashes amounts to 3 or 4 shillings per ton on the cargo coming into and leaving the port so that on a 1,000 ton ship carrying 1,500 tons cargo, a dubash would receive :—

1,500 tons inward cargo 4s. per ton .....Rs.	3,000
1,500 tons outward cargo 4s. per ton..... „	3,000
Total received by dubash... ..Rs.	6,000

On referring to the accounts of ships which have passed through my hands, I find the whole expenditure in Bombay, including port charges, advances to captain and crew, stevedores and dubashes bills (but not commissions on freight) as follows :—

1,200 ton ship, discharged 1,800 tons inward cargo, purchased ballast and sea stock	Total Expenditure. Rs. 2,800
950 tons ship discharged 1,300 tons and loaded 1,480 tons cotton	„ 3,200

The general average of expenditure for ships discharging and loading being less than 8s. per ton register, and for ships discharging inward cargo and departing in ballast the average is 5s. per ton.

Shipowners are too well acquainted with the charges of Bombay to submit to be swindled as suggested by your correspondent, or to be led away by his untrue statements.

3rd April. AGENT.

NEWS-LETTERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.)

BARODA, 2ND APRIL.

Ear sunrise this morning the usual salutes proclaimed His Highness Mulharow's departure for Nowsaree, accompanied by Col. Phayre, Resident. As it always is on such occasions, the B. B. and C. I. Railway Station was tastefully decorated. It is asserted that the Gaekwar and Resident will be absent for three months. With the Resident went his clerks and Native Assistant, and Baroda folks see in this a confirmation of the report.

The Gaekwar, they say, nearly met with a serious accident about two evenings ago. Nothing but the coachman's skill, I am told appeared to have averted it. The news soon reached the city, and His Highness was congratulated on his escape. It is added that Lucksmebayee of Surat, His Highness' favourite, caused large sums to be distributed amongst the poor, in token of her thankfulness.

The heat is increasing. Mr. Dadabhoy Shapoorjee, shopkeeper, has received a letter of thanks from Dr. Seward for exerting himself so much in obtaining large contributions towards the Bengal Famine Relief Fund.

KATTYWAR, RAJCOTE, 31ST MARCH.

Economy in the working of the Postal Department cause serious inconvenience to the public in certain districts in this province. For instance when at Jaitpore and Joonaghur lately, my Bombay letters and papers used to reach me, the former (letters) on the sixth and papers on the fifth day from which they were posted, whereas, a year since, they reached a day earlier. On enquiry I was informed that the Jaitpore Post Office, having been converted into a sorting office, and the establishment, consisting of an ill-paid Deputy Post Master and a clerk, being unable to perform the work more expeditiously, there was no other alternative but to cause the public to become the victims of an uncalled-for arrange ent. The public affected has a right to demand a more expeditious delivery of their letters through the Post Office, and it will be their own fault if they tamely submit to such a proceeding on the part of the Post officials who suggested and carried out such an ill-advised measure.

An important case was disposed of the other day in the Rajsthanik Court in favour of a Gerassia, which will, it is to be hoped, convince those ignorant and deluded people that they have only to ask for redress of their wrongs to receive it, if, after investigation, their claim can be proved.

ADEN, 27TH MARCH.

Gunner Wells, of the 6-6 R. A., who, as I have told you, committed a cold-blooded murder on Sergeant Bridges, has been tried by a general court martial, which commenced on the 13th and terminated on the 17th instant. The court assembled at the Mess House of the 41st (The Welsh) Regiment, and consisted of the following gentlemen :—Colonel Rowlands, V. C., 41st Regiment, as President ; Colonel Edwards, N. I., as Deputy Judge Advocate-General ; Colonel Penn, R. A., as Prosecutor ; Adjutant 2nd Granadiers, orderly officer to the Court ; Members—Major Steavens, Aden Troop ; Major Allan, 41st Regiment, 5 captains, 41st Regiment ; 4 subalterns 41st Regiment and 1 subaltern F. Brigade Royal Artillery. The witnesses for the prosecution were—Major Phipps, Lieutenant Daubeney Sergeant Vyle, Bombardiers E. Green, T. Roberts, G. Wilson, Gunners C. Wake, W. Clear, J. Brown, W. Lancaster, and Trumpeter A. Venner. Witnesses summoned by the prisoner—Mrs. Vyle, Mrs. Wagstaff and Mr. Wake. The decision of the Court has been forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief of the Bombay Army, who after examining the whole case will submit it to the Commander-in-Chief in India for his approval and sanction. There is no doubt here that the decision will be death. On Wednesday, the 18th, the murderer attempted to break out through a ventilator in his cell. He managed to break the handcuffs off his wrist, by hitting them against his cell-pot, when the sentry on watch detected him. The latter, a young stout fellow, was a match for the murderer, who was, after a short struggle safely secured and handcuffed again. The prisoner looks very desperate and stubborn, and had he been successful in his attempt to escape, there is no knowing what additional hurt he would have committed. If again he is found trying to escape he will be locked up in the stocks until the receipt of orders from Lord Napier for his final sentence.

The wife and children of Sergeant Bridges have been provided for one year by the Government and have been offered a free passage home.

Mrs. Bridges has had some support from the men in her husband's corps, who opened a subscription list, which was sent round to all the European corps as well as to the general public of Aden. A considerable sum has thus been subscribed.

The Nassau at 11 A.M. and the Sylvia at 1 P.M., the former for Zanzibar and the latter for China, left here on the 20th instant. On the same evening the Kwang-tung with N. I. reliefs for Perim sailed, and on the forenoon of the 22nd returned with the relieved soldiers to Aden.

Endeavours are being made to effect the release of the State prisoner Abdulla bin Mohesin. Several Sultanes members of the neighbouring tribes persuaded Sultan Fudhl bin Mohesin of Lahej to pardon Abdulla for his late rebellious conduct against Fudhl and have him freed from the surveillance of the British. Sultan Fudhl was disinclined at first to pursue this course, but subsequently he took compassion on his brother and made peace that Abdulla should never in future act against Fudhl. Consequent upon this arrangement the Sultan of Lahej, accompanied by several other grandees, arrived here on the 22nd instant. He and his companions visited General J. W. Schneider, C.B., Political Resident, and beseeched him to bestow freedom on Abdulla. General Schneider was told by Sultan Fudhl the cause of his interceding in behalf of the notorious prisoner who had given so much trouble to himself and the British Government. General Schneider expressed his inability to free Abdulla unless authorized to do so by the Supreme Government. After some consultation the Sultan determined to make a supplication to Lord Northbrook. Sultan Fudhl is a very stout-looking middle aged person.

H. M. S. Salamis proceeded to Malta on her way home on the afternoon of the 25

We have very sickly weather here just now—high winds, a cloudy sky, and close nights. The cold has altogether abandoned us and the hot season is fast approaching. Sickness is on the increase. On the night of the 25th a carbine and a pouch containing 20 rounds were reported stolen from the orderly room of M. M.'s 41st Regiment at camp. The robber has not been caught yet but the police are on the alert. The soldier who was asleep in the orderly room and through whose carelessness the robbery was permitted is in custody.

Yesterday afternoon sports took place on the parade ground near the N. A. line at the Point. Major Phipps, commanding 6-6 R. A, paid Rs. 100 from his pocket for prizes. The competitors consisted entirely of the 6-6 R. A. men. Several gentlemen and ladies were present during the entertainment.

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Mr. R. H. Vincent, Assistant District Superintendent of Police, Kurrachee, has been allowed three months' privilege leave from such date as he may avail himself of it.—*Sindian.*

The Juma Musjid.—On Friday, says a vernacular newspaper, there were present amongst the crowd at the Juma Musjid, the Nawab of Surat, the Nacoda of Bombay, and Mr. Shaik, the well-known Arab pearl merchant, residing in the Modykhana street, Fort.

Fatal Accident.—A Coroner's inquest was held on Friday at Pydhonee on the body of one Nuthoo Futtey Ally, who was on the previous day run over by a cart. The jury found that death was caused by rupture of the spleen, the result of his having been accidentally run over by a bullock cart.

A Vagrant.—John Ward, a European, was on Saturday charged before the Acting Senior Magistrate, at the instance of Mr. Inspector Raymond, with being a vagrant and wandering about without any visible means of subsistence and was ordered to be sent to the Government work-house attached to the House of Correction.

Arrival of Native Chiefs.—Bahadoor Khanjee, the heir-apparent to H. H. the Nawab of Joonaghur, arrived here on Thursday afternoon with a number of followers. He has taken up his residence temporarily at Warden Road.—On the same day Shamut Khanjee, the shareholder of Bhantwa State, in Kattywar, arrived here with about nine followers.

Carriage Accident.—On Friday one Gaddrapa Soobhana was driving his master's hansom from Mazagon towards the Mazagon Police Office, and on coming over the bridge the horse got frightened at something and bolted. The driver fell off and was hurt. One or two native passengers also received slight injuries. A European gentleman who was inside the carriage narrowly escaped from an accident. The injured parties were sent to the Jamsetjee Hospital.

Colaba Branch Dispensary.—The total number of patients treated at the Colaba Branch Dispensary during the quarter ending 31st ultimo, amounted to 445, of which 166 were new admissions. Among the latter there were 86 Hindoos, 19 Mussulmans, 22 Parsees, and 39 Native Christians—adult males 77, females 36, and children 53. The most prevalent complaints during the quarter were intermittent fever, diarrhœa, bronchitis, measles, rheumatism and ulcers.

Revenge.—We mentioned the other day that a rumour was current in the town that the young girl who had been enticed away by a Jamote named Juman was murdered. Authentic intelligence has been received from a party lately arrived from Somneance. The unfortunate girl was cut down by the uncle of her husband. It may be mentioned here that the latter took a solemn oath on the Koran not to injure her ; but the enraged uncle satiated his revenge upon the girl for her infidelity.—*Sindian.*

The Late Mahomedan Disturbance at Dakore.—With reference to the late affray at Dakore between the Mahomedans and Bairagis of the place, the *Arya Mitra* states that the former, actuated by religious fanatism, sought a cause of quarrel with the peaceful Bairagis by taking their taboots this year to the Trikamjee ghaut to be dipped there, instead of taking them to the usual place. The Bairagis remonstrated, but in vain. The altercation led to blows and about five lives are said to have been lost on the occasion. In the meanwhile, the magistrate of the district, who was aware of the probability of a disturbance occurring there, came to the spot, dispersed the rioters, and arrested about twenty-eight Mahomedens and twenty-six Bairagis.

SPECIAL CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

THE SONAPORE RIOT.

The trial of the Sonapore rioters—30 Mahomedans and 8 Parsees—was resumed on Thursday morning before Mr. Justice Marriott and the same Special Jury. The Advocate-General and Mr. Lang, instructed by the Public Prosecutor, appeared for the prosecution. Mr. Branson and Mr. Budroodin, instructed by Mr. M. H. Khan, appeared for the Mahomedan prisoners. Prisoner No. 27 (a Christian) was undefended. Messrs Mayhew, Ferguson, Pherozsha Mehta, and Inverarity, instructed by Dr. Dallas, appeared for the Parsee prisoners.

On the Court sitting after luncheon, prisoner No. 25, Sooleman Abdoola, against whom there was no evidence, was by direction of his Lordship formally acquitted by the jury and was discharged.

THE DEFENCE CONTINUED.

Mr. Ferguson, in addressing the jury on behalf of two of the Parsee prisoners, said it would be necessary for him in the defence of his clients to travel somewhat out of the four corners of the case to the events of the two preceding days. Those events had now become matter of common notoriety, and he might say of contemporaneous history. On Friday, the 13th February last, the Mahomedans rushed out of the Jumma Musjid shouting "deen, deen," and dashing through the Parsee quarters in Shaik Abdool Rahmon Street, went into the fire-temple in the Alt-Baug, smashed the furniture and the pots, and entering into the Holy of Holies, the place which even a Parsee could not touch without profaning it, overturned the censer and extinguished the sacred fire. The officiating priest escaped by barricading himself in an upper storey. The mob of Mahomedans then rushed into the house of Jejeebhoy Dhunjeebhoy on the opposite side of the street and smashed and destroyed everything on the premises. The owner, with the females of the family, escaped by means of a ladder into a neighbouring godown. The police, when they came succeeded in dispersing the mob. The same day, in the Parsee fire-temple at Bhendy Bazaar, the same scene occurred that had been enacted in the fire-temple at the Alt-Baug. The following day stray assaults were made by, Mahomedans upon Parsees in different parts of the city ; and a demonstration took place in the Parsee quarter at Khetwady. The Parsees naturally enough came to the conclusion that there was a premeditated organisation to insult the Parsee religion. Hundreds of rumours, as Mr. Brewin said in his evidence, were in circulation, having a tendency to alarm the Parsees, and one of those rumours was that, on Sunday the 15th February, the Mahomedans intended, under pretence of carrying a bier, to enter the Parsee quarter at Dhobie Talao and attack their fire-temple. These rumours could not be said to be unfounded or to be the creation of idle brains ; for on Sunday, the 15th February, a large funeral party started—it was not known whence—composed of 300 or 400 Seedees and Mahomedans, a far larger number than ever was heard of in connection with a Musulman funeral procession. The funeral got beyond the Bhooleshwur temple before any police joined it. Mr. Mills, superintendent of police, stated that he saw no sticks with any members of the procession—a statement which, the learned counsel said, he would prove to be inaccurate. He would prove that the procession caught sight of some Parsees at the Bhooleshwur temple, that the persons in front of it rushed upon them, that they took shelter inside the temple premises, and that the gates of the temple had to be closed to shield the Parsees from outrage. The Mahomedans thereupon proceeded shouting "deen, deen" and brandishing their sticks. They went to the burial-ground at Sonapore, where they were joined by Inspector Austin and Constable Brewin. The police formed two parties, one of which, under Mr. Mills, remained at the gate of the burial-ground, while the other went through the graveyard. The learned counsel said he had challenged the police to show, if they could, that there were dead bodies in the biers which were carried with the procession ; and the police had failed to do so. The only explanation they could furnish was that the widow of one of the deceased had been found, but not of the other. Who, then, was the other —an imaginary thing? The learned counsel was prepared to show that one of the biers at least contained sticks. The attention of the police was directed to the bier which was carried to the south end corner of the graveyard, and it was also in evidence that the few members of it who were there were scattered about the place ; and thus the other bier escaped the scrutiny of the police altogether. Was there a tittle of evidence to show where the other body if any, was buried? None at all. Then, there was no evidence to show that the Parsees were the aggressors at the south end corner or that the first stones were thrown by them. What were the probabilities of the case? The whole of the Parsee community were in a state of the utmost consternation on that day ; and the police-witnesses stated that, in the densely populated Parsee quarter, they met only two stray Parsees in the street. It was extremely improbable that, in such a state of popular feeling, the Parsees would have ventured to make an attack upon Seedees and Mussulmans on the very morning of the day when they anticipated a Mussulman attack upon their own fire-temple itself. But it was much more probable that the Seedees, hearing the Parsees talking loudly near the south end corner, threw stones in order to provoke a quarrel. It would be shown by the evidence of residents whose houses overlooked the graveyard that stones were first thrown by the Seedees and not by Parsees. The jury would, looking to the circumstances under which the Parsee community had been placed, see that this was the more probable version of the two. Again, it was in evidence that one of the constables got over the wall, and going up to the Parsees remonstrated with them, when their answer was, as he said—"You are of no use : the police won't protect protect us, and we will protect ourselves." This answer was consistent with the story of the Parsees, who maintained that, on the Sunday in question, the police were unable to protect them, and that the Seedees went into the south end corner of the graveyard with the intention of rushing upon their principal fire-temple by the back door The learned gentleman directed the attention of the jury to a contradiction in Mr. Austin's evidence, which, he said, he got on purpose to show that his statement was not reasonable or probable, and that the object with which the Parsees had assembled was no other than to protect their property and their fire-temple from a repetition of the destruction and desecration which had taken place two days before. The contradiction was apparent upon the face of it. The constable said that stones were first thrown by the Parsees and then by the Seedees ; and in another part of his evidence, he said that the Seedees threw the stones and that the Parsees retaliated by throwing stones into the graveyard. A curious circumstance in connection with the police evidence in the case was that Superintendent Mills persistently said that there is no back entrance to the fire-temple in the Breach Candy road. In the position he occupied as a police officer, it was his duty to have made himself better acquainted with the facts of the case before speaking of them on oath. He was told to visit the locality and inform himself as to the truth, and the next morning he came and made a rather humiliating admission that there are gates in the rear of the fire-temple of which he was not aware. He also denied that the panes of glass of the gas lamp standing against the south end wall of the graveyard were unbroken, the fact being that the glass is unbroken. It was probable that the Seedees, in throwing large stones from the graveyard over the wall on to the spot where the Parsees stood, did not touch the gas lamp ; while it was equally probable that the Parsees could not have thrown small stones over the wall into the graveyard without smashing the glass. The same want of observation characterised the superintendent of police when he stated that he did not see a single native in the funeral procession on the occasion in the able and exhaustive speeches of my learned friends, I feel it rather presumptuous in me in rising to make the remarks I have to offer on behalf of my client's, particularly when I remember that I have to offer them to gentlemen of greater ability and experience than myself. But in this last circumstance I have this consolation, that I am addressing myself to a learned Judge and jury, to supplement my shortcomings by your assistance. I feel, gentlemen, that my clients labour under a great disadvantage in standing charged to answer to the offence of rioting at a time when the very name of rioting has become odious and hateful to the ears of all the peaceful and respectable citizens of this town, and when it is the general feeling that everything approaching rioting should be crushed out unhesitatingly and at once. But I am confident, gentlemen, I will not say, on your oaths, but on your honours, that you will discriminate carefully and distinguish between the case of the different prisoners with accuracy of Mr. Mills' evidence. Then Constable Brewin stated in his evidence that, when the Mahomedan procession came out of the Sonapore lane, the Parsees moved back of their own accord from the mouth of the lane, and that only a gentle pressure had to be used to move back those in front. That crowd, as he called it, was the 700 or 800 Parsees. Thus the evidence tended to show that the Parsees drew themselves up in the road leading to their chief fire-temple, not with the intention to attack, but for the purpose of repelling an attack by the Seedees and protecting their property. There was another piece of evidence to come. That the police were insufficient the Parsees well knew ; and the learned counsel said they believed *bona fide* that they were justified in making efforts at self-defence. If they believed that they were helpless and assembled at the night soil depot to protect the back entrance of their fire-temple, and if again they presented a bold front to the Breach Candy road again, the attack of the Seedees from their fire-temple from the rear of the, they were justified, said the learned counsel, in asserting and using their right of private defence. With every deference to the opinion of his Lordship, he (Mr. Ferguson) would say they were justified, under the circumstances, in asserting their right of private defence. If they applied to the police authorities for protection and did not get the required assistance ; and if under a *bona fide* belief they drew themselves up at the night soil depot and on the Breach Candy road to protect their houses and their fire-temple, they were justified in using their right of private defence. (Cries an authority.) The learned counsel submitted with great confidence that the Parsees had most reasonable apprehensions that the Seedees were to come into their quarters with a hostile intention ; and that having applied for and failed to get police assistance, considering the enormous numbers that were unusually large, and remembering what had happ ned during the two days preceding, the Parsees were justified, reasonably justified, in making a stand. If they were there with the intention of guarding their fire temple——

His Lordship—I cannot tell the jury that they were justified in assembling in such large numbers.

Mr. Ferguson said if he could prove the facts he was instructed to prove ; if he could prove that they failed to get protection from the police authorities, that they had reasonable apprehensions that the Seedees were coming to attack their fire-temple under cover of a funeral, then he should boldly assert that the Parsees were justified in making use of their right of private defence. If he could show that the police force was insufficient, and that the European portion could seed they were worn out and exhausted, then he did say that the Parsees were justified, under the Penal Code, in trying to protect their property and their temples. In conclusion, the learned counsel regretted that the two sects of prisoners had been put up together. He felt considerably hampered in having to throw blame on prisoners other than those for whom he appeared. By the course the Government had chosen to adopt, he felt hampered on several occasions in trying to show that the Mahomedan prisoners were the aggressors, and not the Parsees.

Mr. Pherozsha Mehta next addressed the jury nearly as follows :—Like the able and exhaustive speeches of my learned friends, I feel it rather presumptuous in me in rising to make the remarks I have to offer on behalf of my clients

THE COTTON TRADE.

BOMBAY, 4th April 1874.

THE general manager of the Moffussil Company, limited, publishes the following information :—

Broach, 3rd April.—During the week a moderate business only has been done, owing chiefly to dealers still being under heavy contracts; and selection on the basis of "fully good fair" has been more difficult than has been the case during this season. The despatches amount to from 700 to 800 bales per day full-pressed, and about 150 bales half pressed.

From Surat and Ahmedabad the advices are favourable.

Wardha, 2nd.—Four hundred bales are all that have arrived during the week. The quality is about the same. It is now asserted that hardly 3,000 bales have still to come forward. The weather continues fine.

Hingughaut, 2nd.—During the week about 400 bales of sorts have been brought to this market. There is little or no change in the quality. Some quantities of Jerree Kupas are now arriving daily. Prices keep excessively high. According to outside reports some 3,000 bales still remain outside. The weather continues fine.

Comrawuttee, 2nd.—Supplies during the week have only averaged 600 bales a day, thus showing that the season is on the decline. To date 75,000 bales have arrived in our market. We expect 30,000 bales more during the next two months.

Moortizapore, 2nd.—The nights have been cool, but the days are very hot, and we have been troubled with hot-winds and dust-storms. Supplies are decidedly on the decrease, and during the last few days the average has only been 30 bojas a day. It is estimated that only about 1,200 bojas have still to be received into this market, and that the season will terminate about the end of the current month. About 5,000 bojas have still to be delivered at Karinja on contracts from that district. The quality continues the same as last reported.

Khamgaum, 2nd.—The weather has continued fine, and I may safely say that the hot weather has now begun to set in. Supplies are decreasing, only 4,500 bales being received during the week.

Julgaum, 2nd.—The weather during the past week has been fine with very high winds. The arrivals of cotton for the week show a considerable falling-off, but this may be accounted for by the dullness of the market, as the riots hold back in hopes of better prices.

POLICY OF THE POSTAL DEPARTMENT.

WE (*Englishman*) are indebted to a friend for the following Postal Memorandum regarding the abolition of six-anna-eight-pie postage-stamps, and the substitution of a nine-pie for the present eight-pie stamp :—

CIRCULAR No. 163 OF 1873-74.

Dated Madras, 25th March 1874.

The following is published for information and guidance. Special attention is drawn to paragraph 4 of the Director General's Memorandum :—

No 7297.—MEMORANDUM.

Office of the Director-General of the Post Office of India, Calcutta, 20th March 1874.

The sanction of Government has been obtained to the abolition of the six-anna-eight-pie postage stamp label, to the abolition of the eight-pie postage-stamp label, and to the substitution of a nine-pie label. Sanction has also been obtained to the consumption of the existing stock of eight-pie labels by their sale at nine-pies each.

2. These measures will severally have effect from the 1st April 1874.

3. The Comptroller-General and the several Superintendents of Stamps have been addressed in view to the withdrawal from sale of the six-anna-eight-pie stamp after the close of this month, to the transmission of the entire stock of this class of stamp to the Central Stamp Depots at the three presidency towns, and to the issue of instructions for the sale of eight-pie stamps at nine pies each on and after the 1st April 1874.

4. On and after the 1st April, eight-pie stamps will be recognised by the Post Office as bearing a value of nine pies each.

(Sd.) F. R. HOGG, Officiating Director-General of the Post Office of India.

Does the Director-General of the Post Office of India not consider this information of sufficient public interest to be advertised? His memorandum is dated 20th March; the change referred to comes into force on this 1st day of April; yet, writing on the 31st March, we have, in Calcutta, never heard of the change, nor has the memorandum, so far as we can see, ever appeared in the *Gazette*. Our first intimation of the change comes from an official circular *printed in Madras*, and intended only for Post Office officials. It is difficult to know whether this omission is due to carelessness, in which case it is scarcely excusable; or whether it is caused by a cool disregard of the convenience of the public on the part of the head of the Post Office, in which case it is also impertinent.

The memorandum requires much amplification to be of any real use to the public. Seeing that the postal charge for English letters remains six annas and eight pies (at least we have seen no notification to the contrary), and seeing that no stamps of that value can now be obtained, what is to be done by those who write to England? We presume they will be allowed to enquire at the Post Office, or run the risk of inflicting on their correspondents at home a fine for insufficient postage. Or perhaps letters stamped with six-anna-eight-pie labels will not be forwarded at all, on the ground that they are stamped with obsolete or "abolished" labels. Altogether this change (regarding the general convenience and propriety of which we have no complaint whatever to make) has been introduced with a rapidity and secrecy which seem scarcely suitable to the occasion, and we emphatically protest against the—to put it in the mildest way—stupid manner in which the European public in India has been kept in the dark regarding it.

MR. GLADSTONE AND THE LIBERAL LEADERSHIP.

THE usual circulars to the Liberal members of both Houses of Parliament reminding them of the opening of the session for the despatch of business next Thursday have been issued. They are signed by Earl Granville and Mr. Gladstone. The following letter written by Mr. Gladstone to the noble earl is published :—

11, Carlton House-terrace, March 12.

My dear Granville,—I have issued a circular to members of Parliament of the Liberal party on the occasion of the opening of parliamentary business. But I feel it to be necessary that while discharging this duty I should explain what a circular could not convey with regard to my individual position at the present time. I need not apologize for addressing these explanations to you. Independently of other reasons for so troubling you, it is enough to observe that you have very long represented the Liberal party, and have also acted on behalf of the late Government, from its commencement to its close, in the House of Lords. For a variety of reasons personal to myself I could not contemplate any unlimited extension of active political service; and I am anxious that it should be clearly understood by those friends with whom I have acted in the direction of affairs that at my age I must reserve my entire freedom to direct myself of all the responsibilities of leadership at no distant time. The need of rest will prevent me from giving more than occasional attendance in the House of Commons during the present session. I shall be desirous, shortly before the commencement of the session of 1875, to consider whether there would be advantage in my placing my services for a time at the disposal of the Liberal party, or whether I should then claim exemption from the duties I have hitherto discharged. If, however, there shall be reasonable ground for believing that, instead of the course which I have sketched, it would be preferable in the view of the party generally, for me to assume at once the place of an independent member, I shall willingly adopt the latter alternative. But I shall retain all that desire which I have hitherto felt for the welfare of the party, and if the gentlemen composing it should think fit either to choose a leader or to make provision *ad interim*, with a view to the convenience of the present year, the person designated would, of course, command from me any assistance which he might find occasion to seek, and which it might be in my power to render. Believe me, my dear Granville, always sincerely yours,

W. E. GLADSTONE.

THE RECEPTION OF THE DUKE AND DUCHESS OF EDINBURGH.

(*Selected from the Daily Papers.*)

THE ARRIVAL AT GRAVESEND.

THE Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh being expected to disembark at Gravesend at eleven o'clock last Saturday morning (7th March,) the apparition of the Royal yacht, Victoria and Albert swiftly steaming up whilst yet nine o'clock had not struck, was somewhat disconcerting to those responsible for the carrying out of the arrangements for the reception. The crowd, which had made up its mind to see everything from the beginning, and had completed its preparations for witnessing the arrival, was not yet gathered together. There was neither mayor, alderman, common councilman, beadle, nor policeman on duty, and the military escort told off to conduct the Royal travellers to the station was not yet under arms. Under these circumstances, it was well that it was decided on board the yacht that, albeit the Victoria and Albert had made an unexpectedly rapid passage, the original programme should be strictly carried out, and that the landing should not take place till eleven o'clock. So the yacht dropped anchor, and the spare time was utilized in shipping into lighters the bride's luggage. This gave breathing time to the Mayor and Corporation, and to the countless craft that covered the river it afforded an opportunity of sailing round and round the yacht with somewhat dangerous pertinacity, whilst the passengers surveyed the deck, hoping that, peradventure, they might get an early view of the bride. Those who were earnest on the cruising ground had their desire gratified, for shortly after the yacht had swung to, the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh appeared on deck, and remained there for some twenty minutes looking at the pier and the shore, which, as the news spread, began to be lined with spectators. But after this time they retired to their cabin, and the loyal passengers by the excursion boats were fain to be content with passing glimpses of the Royal clothes-boxes and baggage as they were lowered into the lighters to be conveyed ashore. These were not the rose, but they had lived near it, and on the whole it was thought better to have seen them than nothing at all.

The early morning had been hazy, and the surprise consequent upon the premature arrival of the yacht had been added to by the fact that she was not signalled till close upon the ironclads that were moored off the pier. But at half-past ten the tide turned, and with the incoming flood the mist was lifted, and the sun shone out on the variegated colours of the streets of Gravesend, and upon the gaily-dressed fleet in the broad river way. A few minutes after ten the neighbourhood of the pier, which was now densely crowded, was enlivened by the ceremonies consequent upon the arrival of Prince Arthur, who had come down by a special train from London to welcome, in his Royal mother's name, the bride upon her approach to the English shores. His Royal Highness, who wore the uniform of the Rifle Brigade, which he has made so familiar in all recent state pageants wherein he has taken a part, put off at once to the Victoria and Albert accompanied by Earl Sydney, Lord Lieutenant of the county. At a quarter to eleven those with good glasses could see, looking from the pier, a little group forming on the deck of the Victoria and Albert. Presently a barge, rowed by men-of-war's men, dropped alongside, and the Royal party entered, the Russian flag being run up at the stern as the Duchess stepped on board, the British flag which had been flying at the stern of the yacht, and the Russian banner which had flaunted at the fore, being simultaneously hauled down. The ironclads Audacious and Penelope were moored close by where the yacht had dropped anchor. As the barge put off the sailors manned the yards and cheered lustily, whilst the ironclads and a wooden three-decker at anchor in the river joined in firing a Royal salute, Tilbury Fort answering gun for gun.

The Royal pair were received at the steps of the pier by Admiral Hastings, commander of the forces at Sheerness, Russia being represented by several members of the embassy, and Gravesend by Mr. Lake, the mayor. The pier was crowded by a select company of ticket holders. After the salutations of the naval, military, and diplomatic representatives had been duly made, Miss Lake, the daughter of the mayor, advanced and presented to the Duchess a splendid bouquet of lilies of the valley. As the Duke and Duchess walked up the pier arm-in-arm, a contingent of six score children, dressed as sailor boys, strewed their path with flowers. The road, thus delicately carpeted, was found to lead into an ambush, where the Recorder of Gravesend was lying in wait with an "address." The presentation of the address was agreed to upon the engagement that it should not be read, but the Recorder managed to offer a few words in presenting it, two being in the Russian tongue, and were understood to be equivalent to the English word "Welcome" The following is a copy of the address :—

"To their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh. May it please your Royal Highnesses: We, the Mayor, Aldermen, and Burgesses of the borough of Gravesend, desire most respectfully to tender to your Royal Highnesses our sincere congratulations upon your marriage, fraught as the event is with happy omens of lasting peace and prosperous intercourse between two great nations, and to offer to the daughter of the Emperor of all the Russias, the bride of one of our beloved Princes, a hearty welcome, which given here on the threshold of England, will be repeated with national fervour throughout the length and breath of the land. As inhabitants of this ancient maritime borough, we are grateful that the happy fortune of locality has been the means of securing for us the honour of addressing to your Royal Highnesses these first words of congratulation and welcome, and of affording us another opportunity of testify our loyalty and devotion to our beloved Queen and Royal Family. We pray that to the happiness of your union may be added the gift of long life and manifold blessings from the Giver of all good.—WILLIAM LAKE, Mayor."

The Duke of Edinburgh, bowing, said, "Thank you, I am much obliged to you," and passed on to the carriage in waiting for him at the end of the pier.

THE ROUTE TO THE RAILWAY STATION.

Prince Arthur and Earl Sydney shared the first carriage with the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, the three others completing the cavalcade being occupied by the suite. Gravesend had not been allowed to congregate upon the pier, but the streets were open to it, and these were densely crowded, literally from basement to roof, every window in all the houses showing groups of eager faces, whilst the pavements had absolutely ceased to be thoroughfares. A guard of honour, drawn from the ranks of the Royal Marines, kept the ground at the town end of the pier; a detachment of the 7th Hussars rode as escort; and the line of route to the railway station was kept by the men of the Kent Rifles and the Artillery Corps. Cheer after cheer arose as the carraiges went by, the Duke and Duchess acknowledging the popular greeting by bows and smiles. "Happy is the bride that the sun shines on," says the old proverb, and if there be any truth in the dictum, the Princess Marie has good reason for indulging in pleasant anticipations of the future, remembering her progress through Gravesend in the bright sunshine of Saturday morning, made brighter still by the faces of a loving people and the shout of a nation's welcome.

At the railway station Lady Watkin, wife of Sir Edward Watkin, chairman of the South-Eastern Railway Company, was presented to the Duchess, and offered her a bouquet, which was pleasantly accepted, and at ten minutes before noon the train steamed out of Gravesend amid loud cheers from the spectators, who now blocked up the approaches to the railway station, and would, had they been permitted, have flooded the line itself. The train was furnished with the latest electric apparatus, and was driven by Mr. A. Watkin, son of Sir Edward Watkin. It was in charge of Hills and Rashleigh, the trustee guards who always accompany the Royal trains on the South-Western, in addition to the Royal guards of the South-Eastern. The train, which steamed slowly out of the station, amid the heartiest demonstrations of goodwill, in response to which their Royal Highnesses bowed their acknowledgments, proceeded direct to London, where it passed over the Waterloo junction on to the South-Western system, whence it went on without stopping to Windsor

WATERLOO STATION.

As early as ten o'clock on Saturday numbers of persons presented themselves at Waterloo with the view of seeing the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh as they passed through the station on their road to Windsor. They railway company had made no special arrangements for the accommodation of visitors beyond reserving the platforms on each side of the line through which the Royal train was to pass for persons provided with tickets, which were to be obtained at the offices of the company without difficulty. The station was not closed against the general public, but probably owing to the fact that the Royal train was not intended to stop at Waterloo, there was nothing in the shape of a rush, although at the time the train came through there could not have been fewer than 4,000 or 5,000 persons in the station. We have already referred to the decorations at the stations, and to the triumphal arch beneath which the train had to pass. Extra constables were on duty to keep the general public from intruding on the reserved platform, and the arrangements were well carried out under the superintendence of Mr. Copas, station-master. The train conveying the Royal pair was expected to pass through the station at 12-10, but it was about six minutes after that time before the engine drawing the train came in sight, and passed under the triumphal arch at a pace not exceeding four or five miles an hour, so that every one present had an opportunity of seeing the Duke and Duchess Their Royal Highnesses, with Prince Arthur, occupied the saloon carriage in the centre of the train. Her Royal Highness the Duchess appeared to be rather amused at the scene and the demonstrations of loyalty shown by the crowd on each side of the train. She smiled and bowed as the train passed slowly along amidst the cheers of the spectators, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh who stood up in the centre of the saloon carriage acknowledged by bowing from side to side the cheers which greeted his fair bride and himself from the throats of the enthusiastic crowd. As the train left the soldiers and of the station was got up, and the Duke and his bride were swiftly borne away to meet Her Majesty at Windsor.

THE ARRIVAL AT WINDSOR.

It was quite refreshing to hear the appreciative exclamations of thorough Cockneys, not often given to the display of æsthetic emotions as they looked along the river from the bridge between Eton and Windsor, or as they stood at the old gateway at the head of the Long Walk. From an early hour in the morning the whole town seemed to be crammed, and as successive trainloads of excursionists arrived, it became more and more of a puzzle to know where they could possibly dispose themselves. The railway station was of course besieged, but as the construction makes it about the most inconvenient place for sightseeing that could possibly be devised, most of the privileged people—the people, that is, who had received tickets of admission to some railed off spaces on the platform, from which the only view to be obtained was that of a dead wall on one side, and the backs of the Mayor and Corporation on the other—preferred to take their chance among the crowd outside. The decorations here were in exceedingly good taste. Not only was the roof of the station made brilliant by flags sufficient to dress half a dozen yachts, but a gorgeous clump of flowers in full bloom adorned the entrance to the reception room, and more flowers and evergreens lighted up the walls. Just over the place where the Royal pair were to alight hung a pretty little silver Cupid, who hovered about in mid-air as the light breeze swayed him to and fro. The reception-room itself, which is that ordinarily used by the Queen, had some extra adornments in the shape of a huge malachite cabinet belonging to Her Majesty, which was exhibited in the Exhibition of 1851, and a few other knicknacks of the same kind, and altogether seemed to be a fairly comfortable boudoir. On one side of the entrance was a small railed off space appropriated to the directors of the railway and their friends; on the other was a similar space alloted to the Mayor and Corporation.

At a quarter to one the strains of National Anthem announced the arrival of Her Majesty, who was accompanied from the Castle by the Prince and Princess of Wales and most of the other members of the Royal Family, and at one o'clock precisely the train conveying the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh steams in sight. A ringing cheer bursts from the crowd inside and outside the station, and as the train is brought up opposite the Royal apartment the Queen and her family advance on the platform. The Duke of Edinburgh first descends, and is immediately folded in his Royal mother's embrace; then the Duchess follows and is affectionately kissed on both cheeks, first by the Queen and then by the Princess of Wales. Very expressive and bright and lovable is the face which is presented confidingly to the salute of these new relatives—much more winning than many faces with more regular features and more formal lines of beauty, but just one of those which are sure to be slandered by the photographer. The trim, graceful figure is well set off by a close-fitting white dress, which is surmounted by a high ruff of sufficiently solid material to withstand the damp breezes of England. But in truth the atmosphere was harmless enough, for though the early morning was hazy, fortunately—in accordance with the laureate's aspiration—"some divine air breathed through the world," and the scene before the station, with the sun shining on the bright dresses and the gay uniforms, and the general air of pleased elation which seemed upon everybody, left nothing to be desired. To the Duchess herself it must have been more or less of a trial, for few people unaccustomed to the sea would willingly choose the first few hours after crossing even from Dover to Calais as the occasion on which their appearance would make the most favourable first impression on strangers, and the Duchess had not only had to undergo a voyage four times as long as that from Dover to Calais, but was introducing herself to a nation as well as to a Royal Family. Her fatigue showed itself unmistak bly by the very unaccustomed pallor of her cheeks, and the sensation of having at last ended that formidable journey must have been no little relief to her as she stepped into the carriage which was to convey her, with the Queen and the Duke, to her temporary home at Windsor Castle.

It was only ten minutes past one when the Royal *cortège* of eight carriages, escorted by a detachment of the 2nd Life Guards, passed the guard of honour of the 79th Highlanders at the station, and proceeded slowly up the streets of Windsor, which were lined by the Grenadiers Guards, the 79th, and the Berkshire Volunteers, which last-named corps mustered nearly 700 strong, under the command of Colonel Loyd Lindsay and Sir Paul Hunter. There has been such a plethora of descriptions of street-decorations lately that it will be sufficient to say, generally, that in Windsor they were as profuse and quite as tasteful as in half a dozen other places which we have visited on similar occasions. Russian flags were everywhere, but it must be confessed that some of the eagles were birds which would have puzzled an ornithologist, and which had rather the air of starved-out turkeys. The Market-hall, a house next to the Bank, with pretty fe-tooned boxes of evergreens, and the Castle Hotel, were specially conspicuous for their decorations. The inscriptions for the most part were of the "Welcome" and "Long-life-and-happiness" order, though some, of course, were of special application, and such as had not served on the last, and, unfortunately, would not be likely to serve on the next occasion of a Royal entry.

At the gateway at the head of the Broad Walk the Princess was seen to point with admiration down that magnificent avenue; and it would have been hard to find a more picturesque sight than it presented, with the clear spring sunshine lighting it up and the uniforms flashing out here and there among the trees. As the Royal carriages entered a salvo was fired by a battery of the Royal Horse Artillery, and then the procession passed round to the left and up through a double line of the 2nd Life Guards to the Castle itself. On the way the Eton boys were assembled, and broke into cheers of welcome which were exceedingly gratifying and perfectly deafening. Then, for the first time since leaving St. Petersburg, the Duchess entered on a period of repose, which must have been sorely needed.

WHAT THE DUCHESS IS LIKE.

A correspondent thus describes the Duchess :—It had been noticed that as Marie Alexandrowna stepped on the landing-stage, her face was paler than befitted one so young, but the buzz of excitement, the waving of handkerchiefs, and the chorus of cheers were evidences of so warm a welcome that the colour returned to her cheeks and she smiled in no forced or artificial way, but in one that showed real pleasure. And now your lady readers will be anxious to know what she is like. She is little in stature; she is neither darkest of brunettes nor fairest of blondes. Her features are not Grecian, nor anything else in particular—nay, I am not sure an artist would grant that they were even very regular. She is withal, so far as could be judged from a hurried glance, quite a charming little creature. Not so serious as Wordsworth's "Phantom of Delight," she has, like her,

"A dancing shape, an image gay,
To haunt, to startle, and waylay;"

and I don't think there would be any great rashness in applying to her the familiar lines—

"Her household motions, light and free,
And steps of virgin liberty;
A countenance in which did meet
Sweet record, promises as sweet;
A creature not too bright or good
For human nature's daily food,
For transient sorrows, simple wiles,
Praise, blame, love, kisses, tears, and smiles."

From all which you may gather that there is a merry "I know not what" about her appearance which, unless I am greatly mistaken, will speedily make her a favourite in society. "And one other matter," I fancy I hear your readers say, "how does she dress?" Her dress was a light blue satin, and her cloak of white llama, while her head-gear seemed to consist of a mysterious interlacing of ribbons and flowers, with nothing in particular for a support except the plentiful tresses of light hair which adorn her head. The costume, as a whole, was just rather airy-looking for so chill a morning, morning, but the llama cloak was suggestive of a comfort it no doubt imparted.

THE BANQUET AT WINDSOR CASTLE.

In St. George's Hall on Monday extensive preparations were made for the State Banquet which Her Majesty gave at half-past seven o'clock in the evening, in honour of the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, to the members of the past and present Government, the *corps diplomatique*, and other distinguished guests. Upwards of 100 invitations were issued. From the grand entrance under the clocktower in the quadrangle, the staircase and landing were tastefully decorated, while the Waterloo Chamber and St. George's Hall were also adorned for the entertainment. The banquet-room was carpeted, while flowers were disposed here and there with admirable effect. At each of the long tables—150 feet in length—were placed, upon which was a profusion display of the Queen's gold plate, while the table itself was adorned with golden candelabra three feet high, plate, and epergnes. Handsome lamps were affixed to the wall, the candelabra bearing innumerable wax candles, providing a perfect flood of light.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, Duke of Cambridge, Marquis and Marchioness of Lorne, Mr. Disraeli, Mr. Gladstone, Earl Derby, Lord Bradford, and other distinguish d persons left Paddington at twenty past five, by Great Western train, under the charge of Mr. Higgins, and arrived at Wind or at forty-five minutes past five, in order to attend the Queen's State Banquet. The guests were conveyed to the Castle in Royal carriages, Mr. Disraeli riding with the Marquis and Marchioness of Lorne. The special Great Western train, with about 150 guests, left Paddington at twenty past five, by Great Western train, under the charge of Mr. Higgins, and arrived at Windsor